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SUBJ: SOVIET PRESS ON GROMYKO ME TRAVELS AND  
NICOSIA MEETING

1. SOVIET PRESS (MAY 8) KEEPS UP FULL COVERAGE OF  
GROMYKO ME ACTIVITIES WITH REPORTS ON CONCLUSION OF  
HIS DAMASCUS VISIT AND ON MEETINGS IN CYPRUS.

2. TEXT OF SOVIET-SYRIAN COMMUNIQUE (PRAVDA MAY 8;  
TASS ENGLISH WIRE MAY 7) LARGELY REPEATS EARLIER  
SOVIET-SYRIAN STATEMENT SIGNED DURING ASAD VISIT TO  
MOSCOW IN APRIL. ON SYRIAN-ISRAELI DISENGAGEMENT,  
HOWEVER, SOVIETS ELEVATED PUBLIC BACKING FOR SYRIA  
BY DECLARING "DECISIVE SUPPORT FOR SYRIAN POSITION  
ON THIS QUESTION." TEXT ALSO REPEATS AFFIRMATION OF  
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ASAD-BREZHNEV STATEMENT THAT DISENGAGEMENT MUST BE

REGARDED AS FIRST STEP TOWARD TOTAL ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL  
AND ALL-ENCOMPASSING SOLUTION OF ME PROBLEM.

3. ON ME SETTLEMENT ONLY NOVELTY IN OTHERWISE STANDARD  
FORMULATION ON BASIS FOR ME PEACE IS REFERENCE  
TO ALL TERRITORIES "OCCUPIED IN JUNE, 1967." EARLIER  
SOVIET-SYRIAN STATEMENT CONTAINED NO LIMITATION AS TO  
DATE OF "OCCUPATION." TEXT OF COMMUNIQUE ALSO CALLS  
FOR "PROTECTION OF THE LEGITIMATE NATIONAL RIGHTS" OF  
THE PALESTINIANS.

4. ON GROMYKO'S MEETING WITH THE SECRETARY PRAVDA  
CARRIES TASS NEWS STORY ON TALKS AND PUBLISHES JOINT  
STATEMENT. OTHERWISE, PAPERS CONTINUE TO IGNORE  
SECRETARY'S TRAVELS IN ME.  
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